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# Southern Region News Release Chicken and Eggs



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#### **October Egg Production Down 9 Percent**

United States egg production totaled 7.79 billion during October 2015, down 9 percent from last year. Production included 6.66 billion table eggs, and 1.13 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.05 billion were broiler-type and 82 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2015 averaged 336 million, down 7 percent from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,317 eggs, down 2 percent from October 2014.

All layers in the United States on November 1, 2015 totaled 337 million, down 7 percent from last year. The 337 million layers consisted of 279 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 54.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 3.46 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on November 1, 2015, averaged 75.0 eggs per 100 layers, down 2 percent from November 1, 2014.

#### Egg Production by Type — States and United States: October 2014 and 2015

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State	Total production			Table eggs			Hatching eggs		
	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(percent)
Alabama	182	194	107	38	41	108	144	153	106
Florida	206	201	98	201	196	98	5	5	100
Georgia	406	417	103	235	239	102	171	178	104
South Carolina	97	102	105	75	78	104	22	24	109
United States	8,526	7,788	91	7,433	6,660	90	1,094	1,128	103

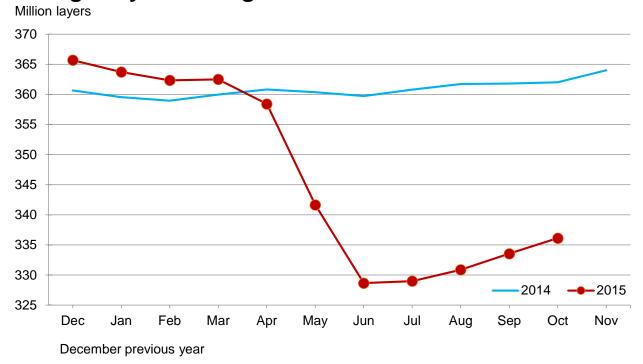
Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Chickens and Eggs, November 2015

#### Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — States and United States: During October 2014 and 2015

State	Total egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above			All layers			Eggs per 100 for all layers		
	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year	2014	2015	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(percent)
Alabama Florida	1,467 8,328	1,560 8,728	106 105	9,074 8,718	9,704 9,126	107 105	2,006 2,363	1,999 2,202	100 93
GeorgiaSouth Carolina	9,609 2,952	9,921 3,198	103 108	18,328 4,175	18,871 4,436	103 106	2,215 2,323	2,210 2,299	100 99
United States	298,337	270,344	91	362,034	336,118	93	2,355	2,317	98

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Chicken and Eggs Report, November 2015

### **Average Layers During the Month — United States**



## All Egg Production During the Month — United States

